

### United States-Spain Treaties in Force, January 1, 2009

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#### TEXT:

The Kingdom of Spain and the United States of America ("The Parties"),

Aware that international cooperation is fundamental in confronting the problems arising from drug abuse,

Seeking to further the worldwide objective of reducing the demand for drugs and psychotropic substances,

Taking into account the global program of action on international cooperation against the illegal production, supply, demand, trafficking and distribution of drugs and psychotropic substances, approved by the General Assembly of the United Nations in February 1990,

Convinced of the importance of bilateral cooperation in matters of mutual interest,

Have agreed as follows:

#### ARTICLE 1

The Parties agree to cooperate in the following areas to reduce the demand for drugs and psychotropic substances:

- a) Prevention and education programs in the use of drugs and psychotropic substances directed towards the general public and specific groups, particularly schools and communities.
- b) Development and implementation of methods of treatment and rehabilitation of persons with problems derived from the use of drugs and psychotropic substances.
- c) Development and implementation of data collection mechanisms for determining the nature, extent, and consequences of the use of drugs and psychotropic substances. ARTICLE 2



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The cooperative activities referred to in Article 1 of this Agreement may take the form of any or some of the following areas:

- a) Exchanges of information and documentation, particularly on programs and approaches which research has shown to be effective.
- b) Exchanges of professionals via fellowship and visitor programs for the purpose of pursuing training, technical assistance, or research.
- c) Joint conferences, seminars, and exhibits.
- d) Joint training sessions, in Spain and the United States, as well as other countries.
- e) Any other cooperative activity in the above-mentioned areas, taking into consideration future needs.

#### ARTICLE 3

The conditions under which the cooperation referred to in this Agreement will be undertaken, as well as the financial support necessary for its effectiveness, shall be established by mutual agreement between the parties, taking into account the provisions of Article 5 of this Agreement.

#### ARTICLE 4

To implement this Agreement, a Spanish-United States Commission is hereby established, which shall consist of an equal number of members from each party to be appointed by the competent authorities of each Party.

For Spain, the Commission shall include representatives of the Ministries of Health and Consumption, Education and Science, and Foreign Affairs.

For the United States, the Commission shall include representatives of the Department of State (Bureau of International Narcotics Matters), the Department of Health and Human services, and the Office of National Drug Control Policy (Office of Demand Reduction).

#### ARTICLE 5

#### The Commission shall:

a) Serve as a channel of communication between the competent authorities of The Parties concerning the implementation of the provisions of this Agreement.



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B) Propose to the respective competent authorities the terms of cooperation in the areas referred to in Article 1 of this Agreement.

#### ARTICLE 6

The Commission shall meet at least on an annual basis and may hold special meetings as needed in order to analyze and coordinate work in progress, establish new priorities, and evaluate the results obtained in the different fields of joint efforts.

The Commission, when it deems appropriate, may establish working groups which may include representatives of governmental and nongovernmental institutions.

The Commission, at the proposal of either of The Parties, may obtain the assistance of other public and private agencies in carrying out its obligations under this Agreement.

#### ARTICLE 7

- 1. The parties shall apply this Agreement provisionally upon signature until it enters into force.
- 2. This Agreement shall enter into force sixty days following an exchange of Diplomatic Notes in which The Parties inform each other of the fulfillment of the requirements of their respective national legislation for entry into force. (1) It shall remain in force indefinitely, but may be terminated by either of the parties, by sixty days advance notification through diplomatic channels.

#### NOTES

(1) May 7, 1993.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned being duly authorized by their respective governments, have signed this Agreement.

Done in duplicate at Madrid, this twenty-fifth day of November, 1991, in the Spanish and English languages, both texts being equally authentic.

#### SIGNATORIES:

FOR THE KINGDOM OF SPAIN

Miguel Solans Soteras

Delegado del Gobierno para el Plan Nacional Sobre Drogas

#### FOR THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

**Robert Martinez** 

Director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy



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